	1999	2000 (upto April, 2000)
No. killed	305	69
No. arrested	6	4

With a view to deal with the cross border activities the Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach which includes, *inter-alia*, strengthening the border management, neutralising plans of the militants by proactive action against them in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional framework of Operations Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons and equipments for Security Forces, closer vigil on the border, establishment of more naka parties in depth areas to check infiltration/exfiltration, more pickets, intensive patrolling and extensive cordon and search operations.

Changes suggested by the Law Commission in IPC

5535. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Law Commission has recommended sweeping changes in sections 375, 376, 376A and 376D of the IPC;

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard;

(c) whether the Commission has also recommended higher punishment for an offence under section 509 of IPC; and

(d) if so, what steps Government have taken or propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (d) The Law Commission of India in its 172nd Report on Review of Rape Laws has recommended, inter alia, changes in sections 375, 376 and 376A to 376D of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. The Law Commission has also recommended higher punishment for the offence under section 509 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. The recommendations of the Law Commission would be examined in consultation with the State Governments as "Criminal Law" is on the Concurrent List in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India.